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Filed : August 19, 2003  
Title : MULTIFUNCTIONAL FORCEPS SET AND LOOP  
LIGATURE CO-USED THEREWITH  
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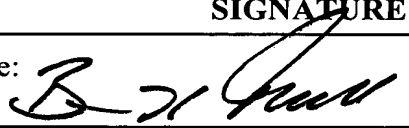


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